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Slide Visual Description

Slide shows the TxDOT logo and title, 'Virtual Public Meeting with In-Person Option.' The project is identified as Little York Road & Tidwell Road at Union Pacific Railroad at-grade railroad crossings in Harris County, led by the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) Rail Division.

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Welcome to the Texas Department of Transportation Rail Division's virtual public meeting with in-person option for the Little York Road and Tidwell Road project in Harris County, Texas.

This presentation provides information about the project area, the project purpose, potential grade separation options at the Union Pacific Railroad at-grade railroad crossings, and opportunities for the public to provide input.

We appreciate your interest in the project and thank you for participating. This is a pre-recorded presentation that you may pause, rewind, or fast forward at any time.



Virtual Public Meeting with In-Person Option

Little York Road & Tidwell Road

At Union Pacific Railroad at-grade railroad crossings
Harris County

Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) Rail Division

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Slide shows TxDOT's 'Drive Like a Texan' safety campaign with the slogan, 'Help make Texas safer for everyone. Kind. Courteous. Safe.' The visual includes an open Texas road, mountains in the background, and a QR code linking to [DriveLikeATexan.com](https://www.drive-like-a-texan.com).

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Because safety is a priority at TxDOT, we begin each meeting with a safety minute. Today we will highlight TxDOT's Drive Like a Texan campaign.

No matter where we start, every mile brings us closer. As Texans, we take care of each other along the way. We lend a hand, slow down, and take our time. At the end of the day, we all want to get home safe.

Drive like a Texan: kind, courteous, and safe.



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Slide header is 'Public Meeting Purpose.' The slide lists four purposes: inform the public of project status and next steps, describe the project so the public can determine how they may be affected, provide an opportunity for public input, and develop a record of public participation.





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The purpose of this public meeting is to share information and receive feedback.

Specifically, the meeting is intended to inform the public of the project status and next steps, describe the project so members of the public can determine how they may be affected, provide an opportunity for the public to offer input, and develop a record of public participation.

Public input is an important part of the project development process and will help TxDOT as the project moves forward.

Public Meeting Purpose

-  1. Inform the public of project status and next steps.
-  2. Describe the project so the public can determine how they may be affected.
-  3. Grant the public an opportunity to provide input.
-  4. Develop a record of public participation.

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Slide header is 'Viewing Project Information.' The slide lists the in-person location as Eden Banquet Hall, 10553 Homestead Road, Houston, Texas 77016. It also explains that project information is available online at [TxDOT.gov](https://www.txdot.gov) under Public Hearings/Meetings by keyword search 'Hirsch Grade Separations.'

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Project information is available in two ways: through this virtual meeting and at the in-person open house. The in-person meeting will be held at Eden Banquet Hall on Homestead Road. Online materials are available at TxDOT dot gov by searching Hirsch Grade Separations under Public Hearings and Meetings. If you do not have internet access, you may call the project hotline at 832-409-4588 for help reviewing materials or asking questions. The online and in-person materials are intended to match.

Viewing Project Information

In-Person Location

- Eden Banquet Hall (10553 Homestead Rd, Houston, TX 77016)

Online

- TxDOT.gov
 - Under "Public Hearings/Meetings"
 - [Keyword search "Hirsch Grade Separations"](#)

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Slide header is 'Project Objectives.' The slide explains that the project is evaluating potential grade separation options at the Union Pacific Railroad at-grade crossings at Little York Road and Tidwell Road adjacent to Hirsch Road. The purpose is to evaluate options that could improve safety, mobility, and connectivity in the project area.

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More specifically, TxDOT is studying how the existing crossings affect traffic flow, emergency access, neighborhood connections, and travel reliability. Public input is an important part of that effort. Community comments can help identify what is working and highlight concerns that technical analysis alone may not capture.

Project Objectives



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Slide header is 'Project Overview.' The slide identifies the project area as the Little York Road and Tidwell Road at-grade crossings with Union Pacific Railroad adjacent to Hirsch Road. The city is Houston and the county is Harris. A vicinity map shows I-69, Hirsch Road, Homestead Road, Little York Road, Tidwell Road, the railroad, and the project limits marked in red.

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This slide shows the overall project area in northeast Houston. TxDOT is evaluating potential grade separation options at the Union Pacific Railroad at-grade railroad crossings at Little York Road and Tidwell Road adjacent to Hirsch Road.

The goal at this stage is to better understand how existing conditions affect safety, mobility, and connectivity in the area, and to gather input that can help shape future recommendations. No final design or construction decision is being presented in this meeting.


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Project Overview

- **Project Area:** Little York Road and Tidwell Road at-grade crossings with Union Pacific Railroad adjacent to Hirsch Road
- **City:** Houston
- **County:** Harris



Map 1 - Shows the project vicinity in Harris County. 6


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Slide header is 'Project Location - Little York Road.' The slide states that the Little York Road project limits extend from 0.29 miles west of Hirsch Road to Wicklowe Street. The approximate project length is 0.58 miles. The map shows Little York Road, Hirsch Road, the railroad, and project limits in red.


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This map focuses on the Little York Road portion of the study area. The project limits extend from about zero point two nine miles west of Hirsch Road to Wicklowe Street, for a total length of about zero point five eight miles. This location is being studied to better understand how train activity, roadway operations, and nearby access needs affect travel through the corridor, including neighborhood connections, emergency response, and day-to-day reliability for people using Little York Road.


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Project Location – Little York Road

- **Project Limits:** From 0.29 miles west of Hirsch Road to Wicklowe Street
- **Project Length:** Approx. 0.58 miles



Map 2 - Shows the approximate project limits along Little York Road in Harris County.

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Slide header is 'Project Location - Tidwell Road.' The slide states that the Tidwell Road project limits extend from Friendly Road to Lavender Street. The approximate project length is 0.51 miles. The map shows Tidwell Road, I-69, Hirsch Road, the railroad, and project limits in red.


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This map focuses on the Tidwell Road portion of the study area. The project limits extend from Friendly Road to Lavender Street, for a total length of about zero point five one miles. As with Little York Road, this location is being evaluated to understand how railroad operations and roadway conditions affect travel, access, and safety. Community feedback on local circulation, school or transit access, and corridor-specific concerns will help TxDOT better understand the issues that matter most here.


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Project Location – Tidwell Road

- **Project Limits:** From Friendly Road to Lavender Street
- **Project Length:** Approx. 0.51 miles



Map 3 - Shows the approximate project limits along Tidwell Road in Harris County.

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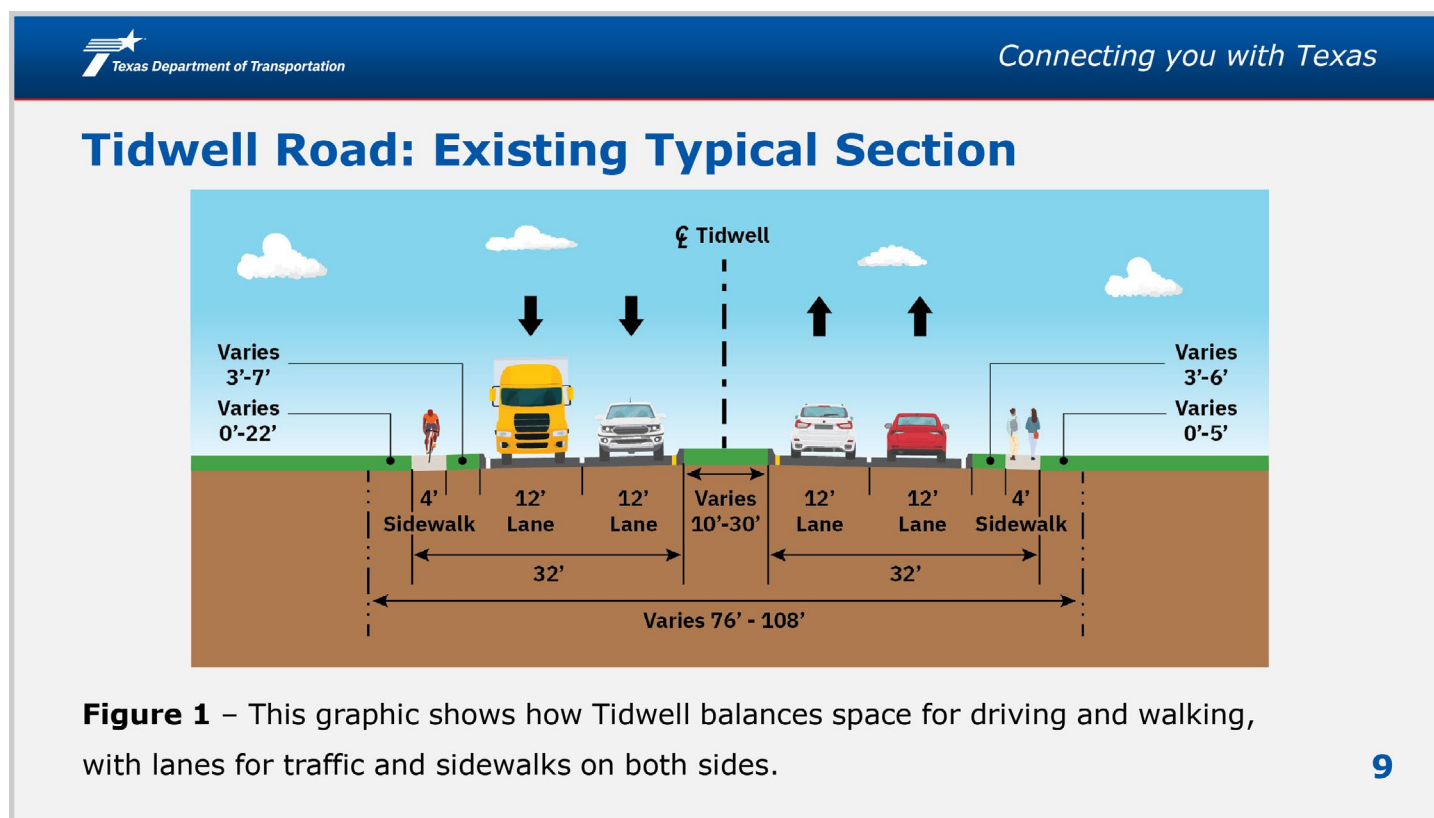
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Slide header is 'Tidwell Road: Existing Typical Section.' The figure shows the existing Tidwell Road roadway with two 12-foot lanes in each direction, sidewalks on both sides, variable median width, and existing right of way varying from 76 to 108 feet.

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This exhibit shows existing conditions on Tidwell Road. It is intended to help viewers understand the corridor as it functions today before any potential improvements are considered. Existing-condition exhibits like this provide a baseline for comparing future concepts. They help the project team look at how the current crossing affects movement through the area, including traffic operations, access, and overall reliability when trains are present or when roadway activity is constrained.




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Slide header is 'Tidwell Road: Proposed Bridge.' The figure shows a proposed bridge section with a 66-foot overall bridge width, 50 feet of roadway width, four 11-foot travel lanes, and 7-foot sidewalks on both sides.

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This slide shows a preliminary bridge concept for Tidwell Road representing a potential long-term improvement approach. The purpose of showing this option is to help the project team and the public consider how a grade-separated crossing could affect roadway operations, railroad interaction, property access, neighborhood connectivity, and overall movement through the corridor.


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Tidwell Road: Proposed Bridge

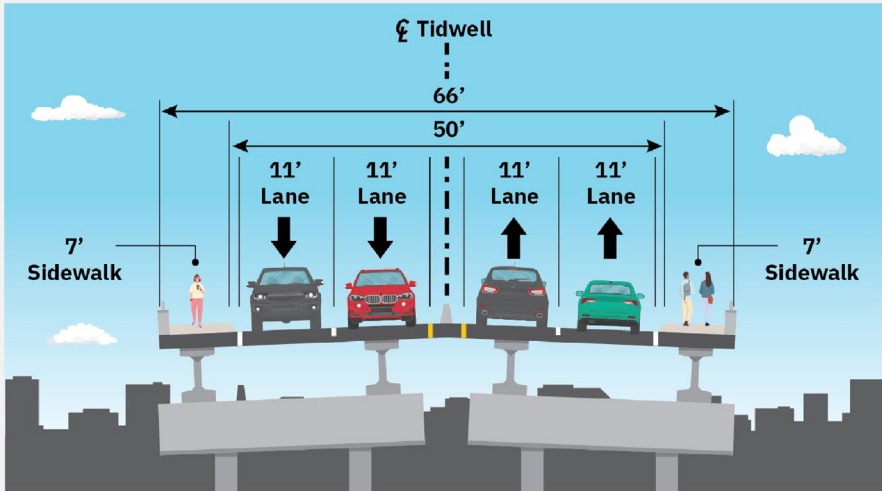


Figure 3 - This graphic shows how Tidwell is designed to support both driving and walking, with traffic lanes in each direction and sidewalks on both sides.

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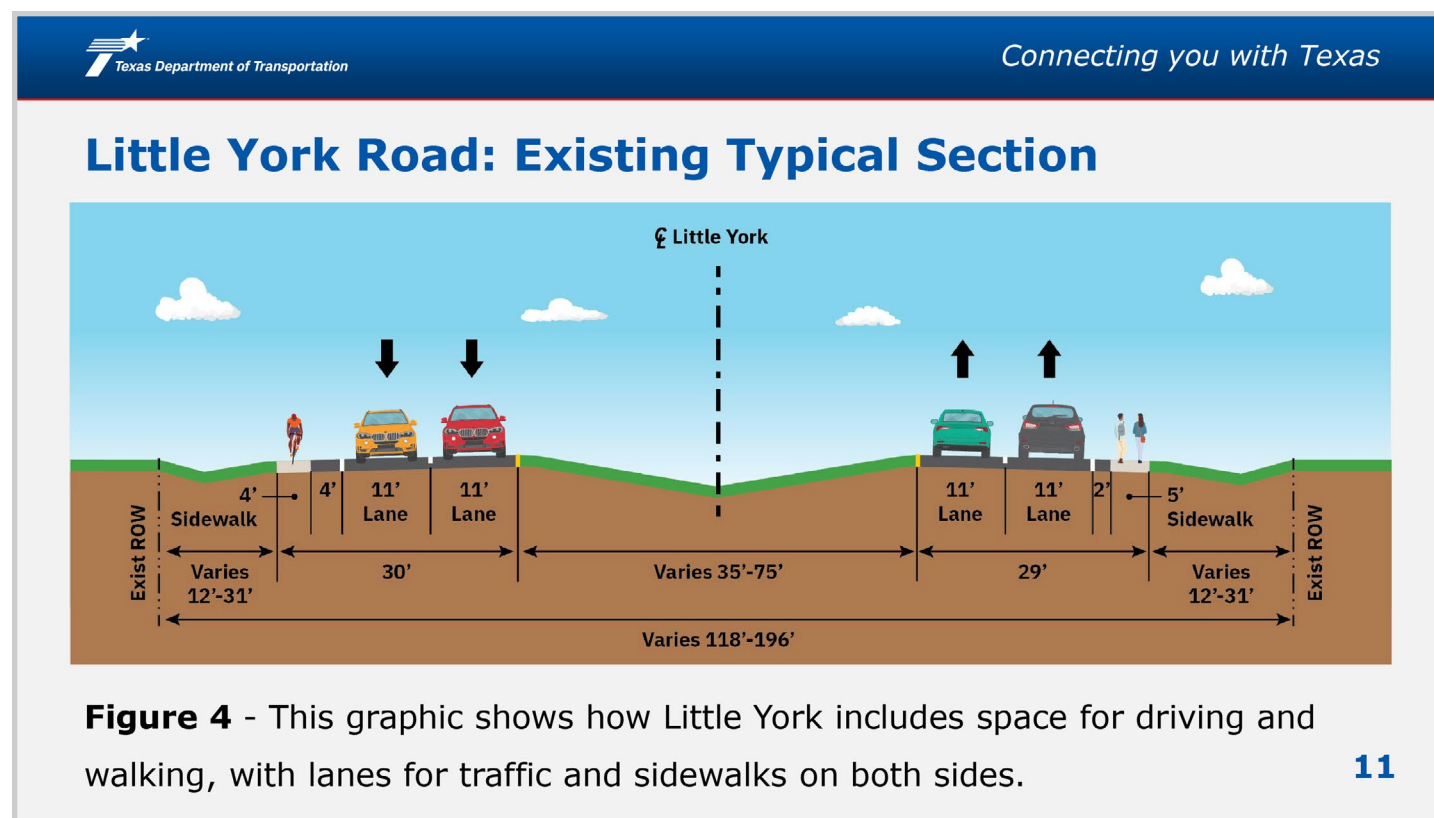
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Slide header is 'Little York Road: Existing Typical Section.' The figure shows the existing Little York Road roadway with two 11-foot lanes in each direction, sidewalks on both sides, variable space between the travel directions, and existing right of way varying from 118 to 196 feet.

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This exhibit shows existing conditions on Little York Road. Like the existing-condition exhibit for Tidwell Road, it provides a snapshot of how the corridor works today and establishes a baseline for comparison. Reviewing current conditions helps TxDOT understand how the crossing affects travel patterns, access to nearby destinations, and reliability for people moving through the area.



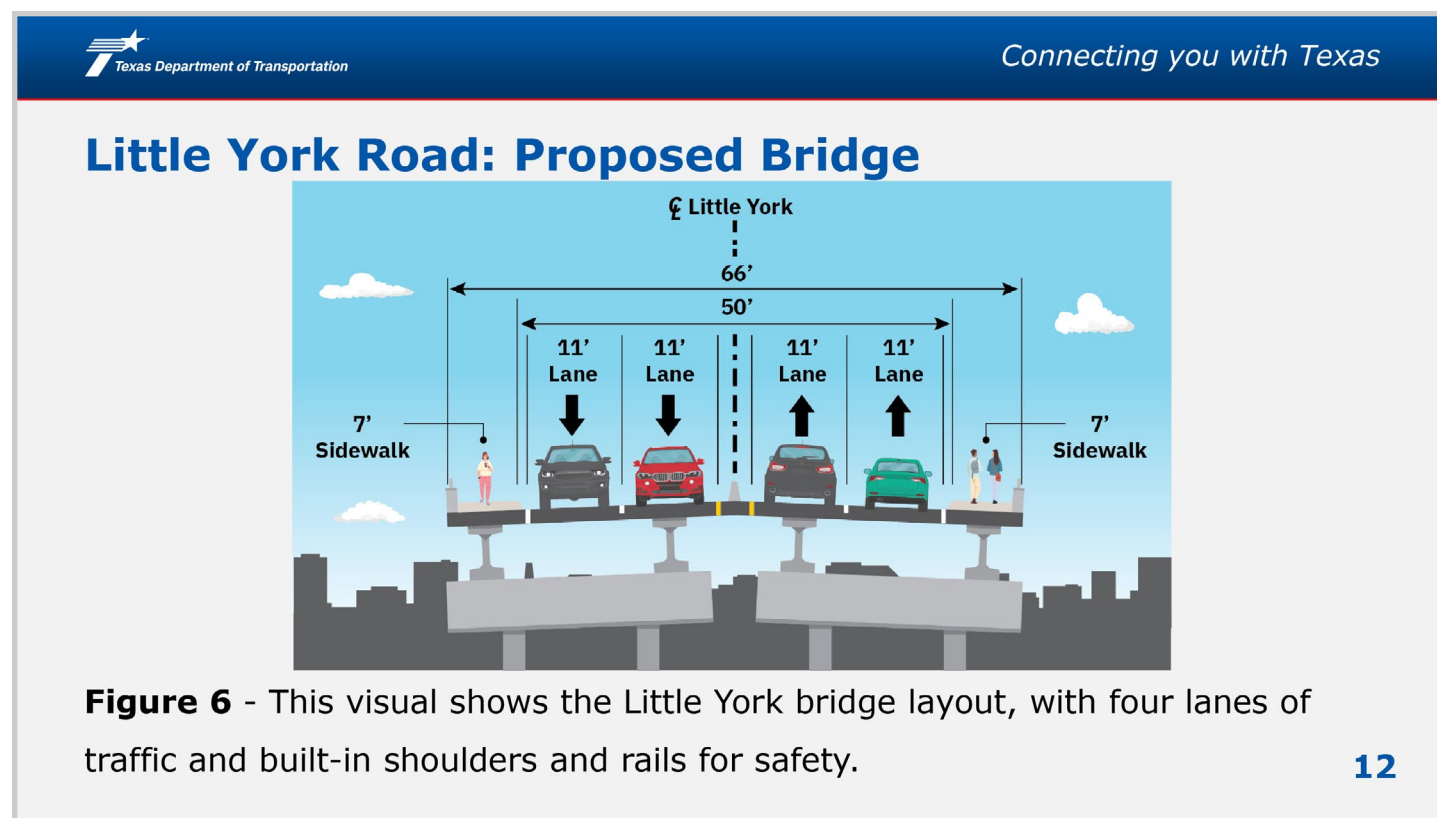
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Slide Visual Description

Slide header is 'Little York Road: Proposed Bridge.' The figure shows a proposed bridge section with a 66-foot overall bridge width, 50 feet of roadway width, four 11-foot travel lanes, and 7-foot sidewalks on both sides.

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This slide shows a preliminary bridge concept for Little York Road representing a more complete long-term improvement condition. The exhibit is conceptual and is being shared so the public can better understand one type of grade separation option that may be considered. As with the other concepts shown in this meeting, it remains subject to change. TxDOT is evaluating how options like this could affect travel, access, and community conditions before any recommendation is made.




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Slide header is 'Environmental Constraints.' The slide includes an environmental constraints map of the study area. The map shows project limits, existing right of way, community resources, schools, parks, places of worship, water features, floodplain/flood hazard areas, pipelines, transmission lines, and other constraints used to understand existing conditions.

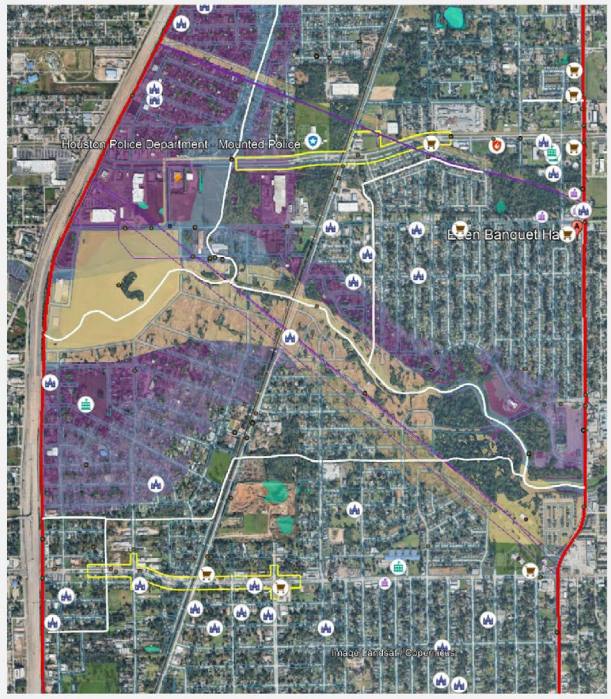
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Environmental and community constraints are an important part of project development. This map helps show existing conditions that may influence where and how improvements could be carried out. These constraints can include community features, land use, utilities, drainage, and other factors that help the project team understand the least impactful way to meet the project purpose. Looking at constraints early helps TxDOT evaluate options more responsibly and with greater awareness of nearby community conditions.


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Environmental Constraints

Map 4 – Environmental constraints maps are created to provide a view of the existing conditions and help determine the least impactful method to fulfill the purpose of the project.



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Slide header is 'Proposed Right of Way.' The slide states that the Little York Road portion may require approximately one-third to one-half acre of additional right of way, depending on the alternative selected. The Tidwell Road portion may require approximately one-half to two acres of additional right of way, depending on the alternative selected.

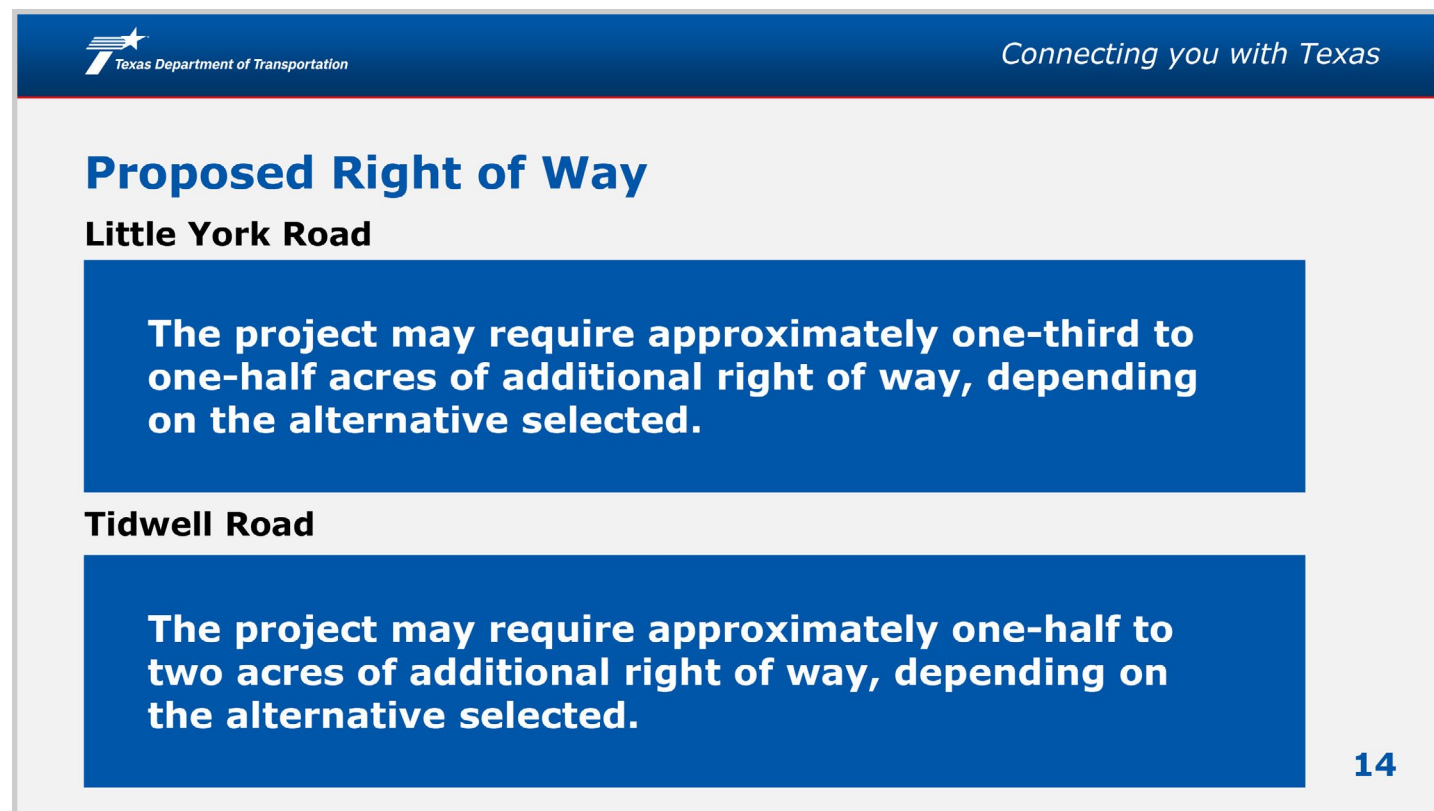
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Any right-of-way requirements will depend on which alternative or alternatives move forward at each location. At this stage, all estimates are preliminary and may change as the project continues to be refined.


At **Little York Road**, the project may require approximately **one-third to one-half acres** of additional right of way, depending on the alternative selected.

At **Tidwell Road**, the project may require approximately **one-half to two acres** of additional right of way, also depending on the alternative selected.

TxDOT understands that right of way and property access are important concerns for the community. These impacts will continue to be carefully evaluated as the project develops, and additional information will be shared as it becomes available.



The graphic is a slide titled 'Proposed Right of Way' with a header 'Connecting you with Texas' and the Texas Department of Transportation logo. It lists two road locations: Little York Road and Tidwell Road, each with a corresponding text box describing the required right of way.

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Proposed Right of Way

Little York Road

The project may require approximately one-third to one-half acres of additional right of way, depending on the alternative selected.

Tidwell Road

The project may require approximately one-half to two acres of additional right of way, depending on the alternative selected.

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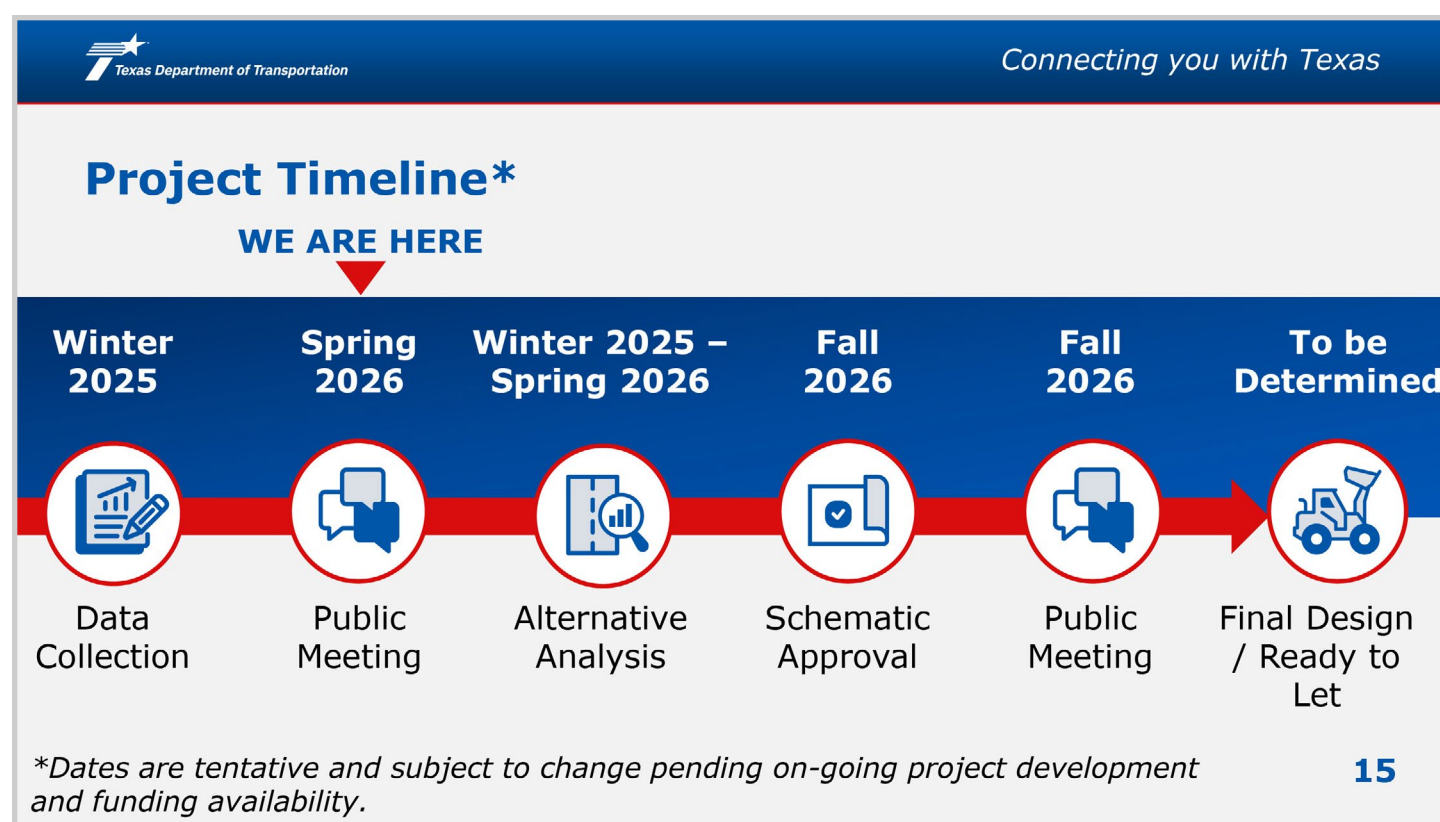
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Slide header is 'Project Timeline.' The timeline shows data collection in Winter 2025, alternative analysis from Winter 2025 through Spring 2026, a Spring 2026 public meeting marked 'We are here,' schematic approval anticipated in Fall 2026, another public meeting in Fall 2026, and final design/ready to let to be determined. A note states that dates are tentative and subject to change pending ongoing project development and funding availability.

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This timeline shows the project at a high level. Data collection began in winter twenty twenty-five, followed by alternative analysis through winter and spring of twenty twenty-six. We are now at the public meeting stage. In parallel, the project team has also been conducting coordination with City Council, Union Pacific Railroad, technical stakeholders, and adjacent property owners. Looking ahead, the schedule shown remains tentative and subject to change based on ongoing development and funding availability.



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Slide header is 'Submit Written Comments and Feedback.' The slide lists comment methods, including comment cards at the in-person meeting, online comments through [TxDOT.gov](https://www.txdot.gov) keyword search 'Hirsch Grade Separations,' email comments to GJURI1-C@txdot.gov, mail-in comments to Hirsch Grade Separations Project, 17111 Preston Road Suite 300, Dallas, TX 75248, and hotline 832-409-4588. The slide states that comments must be received or postmarked by Friday, May 22, 2026, to be included in the summary report. It also lists TxDOT Project Manager Chad Coburn at chad.coburn@txdot.gov for general questions.

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TxDOT encourages the public to submit written comments after reviewing the project information. Comments may be submitted using the methods identified in the public meeting materials, and all comments must be received on or before Friday, May 22, 2026, by 11:59 p.m. to be included in the meeting record.

For general questions about public meeting access, please contact the project hotline at 832-409-4588.

Submit Written Comments and Feedback

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Comment Card

Leave written comments at in-person meeting

Online Comment

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Email Comments

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For general questions about the presentation or the project, please contact TxDOT Project Manager, Chad Coburn at chad.coburn@txdot.gov

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Slide shows the TxDOT logo and large text saying 'Thank You!' on a blue TxDOT background.

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Thank you for taking the time to participate in the Hirsch Grade Separations public meeting process. TxDOT appreciates your interest, your time, and your input. All comments received will be reviewed and considered as project development continues. This concludes the presentation.

